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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SETTING PARAMETERS IN A SYSTEM

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The following comments are provided in response to the Office Action dated June 27, 2001:

REMARKS

Claims 1-48 are all the claims pending in the application. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to carefully reconsider, and to withdraw the rejections, in view of the remarks which follow.

Claims 1, 11, 13, 23, 25, 35, 37, and 47 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Benton et al. (hereinafter Benton) (U.S. Patent No. 5,675,756) in view of Paterson et al. (hereinafter Paterson) (U.S. Patent No. 6,069,629). Claims 2-6, 14-18, 26-30, and 38-42 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Benton in view of Paterson and further in view of Massaro et al. (hereinafter Massaro) (U. S. Patent No. 5,535,321). The Examiner has indicated that claims 7-10, 12, 19-22, 24, 31-34, 36, 43-46 and 48 are objected to as